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Dear Families,

It's been great to see students returning to school this week completing the first round of lateral flow tests (LFDs). As per my previous communication <u>all students will return to school on Monday 6th September</u>, <u>arriving on site by 8:30am</u>. Please ensure that your son/daughter is wearing their full school uniform and has all of the necessary equipment to support their learning.

On Monday we will begin the second round of COVID testing. Please see the table below for further details:

Date	Activity	Timing
Monday 6 th September	Year 7: Testing Year 11: Testing Year 12 and 13:Testing	Period 1 Period 2 and 3 Period 4 and 5
Tuesday 7 th September	Year 8: Testing Year 10: Testing Year 9: Testing	Period 1 and 2 Period 3 and 4A Period 4B and 5

Arrangements for COVID Tests 2:

Sixth Form Students

All Sixth Form students (Year 12 & 13) are expected to attend school on Monday 6th September, arriving on site by 8:30am to complete their induction and receive their timetables.

Home Testing

On Monday all students will receive a set of LFD testing kits to be administered at home twice weekly. We will continue to supply testing kits until the end of September at which point this will be reviewed by the Government. I strongly encourage that families complete the twice weekly home testing as this is a crucial measure that has been implemented to minimise the risk of Coronavirus impacting across the school and wider community.

Please record the result of your sons / daughters home test on this link <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdT79dOy11ss7niMrQWbuVAx-</u> <u>B86vTrx6g9Z_O5csxXL7iC0g/viewform</u> this will enable school to monitor the effectiveness of our home testing programme.

What if my son / daughter registers a positive result Lateral Flow Test (LFD) Result?

Staff and students with a positive LFD test result should self-isolate in line with the <u>Stay at home: guidance</u> for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk). They will also need to take a PCR test. Whilst awaiting the result of the PCR test, you should continue to

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self-isolate. If the PCR test is taken within two days of the LFD test and is negative, this overrides the LFD test and as long as you are not symptomatic, can return to school.

However, it is extremely important to remember that if your child displays any symptoms, however mild, that they <u>must not</u> come into school, but take a PCR test immediately and isolate until they have the result. Students who are absent for COVID-19 related reasons will not have this included in their overall absence figures.

Self-Isolation

Individuals will not be required to self-isolate if they live in the same household as someone with COVID-19, or are a close contact of someone with COVID-19 if any of the following apply:

- They are fully vaccinated
- They are below the age of 18 years and 6 months
- They are not able to get vaccinated for medical reasons

Instead, they will be contacted by the NHS Track and Trace, informed that they have been in close contact and advised to take a PCR Test.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming back our whole school community on Monday morning and look forward with much anticipation towards a successful year.

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend.

Yours faithfully,

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Mr M Schofield Headteacher

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